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SUBJ: PRESIDENT SENGHOR REQUESTS PRESIDENT OF OAU TO CONSTITUTE COMMISSION TO INVESTIGATE MALI-UPPER VOLTA BORDER DISPUTE.

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1. ON DEC 17, PRESIDENT SENGHOR SENT FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO OAU PRESIDENT GENERAL MOHAMED SIAD BARRE:

" AS YOU ARE AWARE, THERE ARE ALTERCATIONS TAKING PLACE BETWEEN MALIAN TROOPS AND VOLATAN TROOPS ON THE FRONTIER WHICH SEPARATES THE TWO COUNTRIES. FOR LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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SEVERAL WEEKS, I HAVE BEEN CALLING FOR A DIALOGUE

BETWEEN THE TWO PARTIES. IN THE FACE OF NEW INCIDENTS, I REQUEST YOU TO CONSTITUTE, AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, A COMMISSION OF INQUIRY WHICH WOULD BE CHARGED WITH THE RESPONSIBILITY SUBSEQUENTLY OF MAKING PROPOSITIONS TO THE OAU. VERY HIGH AND FRATERNAL CONSIDERATION."

2.GOVT OF SENEGAL ALSO ANNOUNCED THIS MORNING THAT PRESIDENT SENGHOR WOULD SOON BE VISITING MALI AND MAURITANIA. SPECIFIC DATES NOT MENTIONED. VISIT TO BE IN PRESIDENT'S CAPACITY AS PRESIDENT OF ORGANIZATION FOR DEVELOPMENT OF SENEGAL RIVER (OMVS), BUT SEEMS CLEAR SENGHOR WILL DISCUSS ALSO MALI-UPPER VOLTA BORDER PROBLEM WITH HIS NEIGHBORS.

- 3. WE NOTE FROM REFTEL THAT VOLTAN FOREIGN MINISTER WILL BE COMING TO DAKAR AND FROM NEWS REPORTS THAT MALIAN FOREIGN MINISTER CHARLES SAMBA CISSOKO HAS ALREADY VISITED NOUAKCHOTT AND DISCUSSED BORDER DISPUTE WITH PRESIDENT OULD DADDAH.
- 4. SENEGALESE GOVT-CONTROLLED NEWSPAPER TAKING NON-PARTISAN EDITORIAL LINE THAT AFRICAN STATES SHOULD SETTLE DISPUTES PEACEABLY THROUGH WEST AFRICAN ECONOMIC COMMUNITY (CEAO) OR OAU.

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